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## September Equipment Auction, And Club Picnic

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Thanks to equipment donations the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon auctioned off the items which expanded our treasury. A number of items including a Regency monitor receiver, parts cabinets, an HT-32, National-129X, to name a few. The Hallicrafters S-40 was also the topic of a video dealing with capacitor replacement. There was also a Heathkit TV Alignment generator that went very cheap. Once again good radio gear was saved from the landfill





## HRO Hambroee

On August 26<sup>th</sup> HRO San Diego held it's Hambroee and swap meet. The event was well attended beginning with the pizza party on Friday night and climaxing with the swap meet and drawing on Saturday. Representatives from several companies were also on hand to answer questions and, discuss their products. Beginning with the swap meet at 7:00 AM the HRO parking lot was well packed with hams throughout the day. Hourly drawings began shortly after HRO opened, and there were good deals to be had both inside HRO and in the parking lot. The Heat was no deterrent, there was a steady flow of people into the swap meet area, and gear of all shapes and sizes moved freely from person to person.

This was a good place to find boat anchors, of the radio, and test equipment type. Sadly I had to pass on a DX-100 due to space considerations however someone ended up with a really good deal, and another AM station could be going on the air soon. I did find something I was looking for , that likely will end up being a repair project in the near future, fixing old gear is almost as much fun as running it.

See you at the next HRO Hambroee.

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## ARCEC Repeater Frequencies

2 Meter Repeater	220 MHZ Repeater	440 MHZ Repeater
TX 146.475	TX 222.480	TX 440.900
RX 147.420	RX 224.080	RX 445.900
Offset .945	Offset 1.6	Offset 5.00
PL 107.2	PL 107.2	PL 107.2



## ARCEC Picnic

We held our annual picnic September 16<sup>th</sup> at Nancy Jane Park in Crest. The weather was nearly perfect, a great day for a picnic. We had a light turnout this year as there was other events going on in the county that weekend. This couldn't be avoided given the oppressive heat we have been experiencing this year. Nonetheless all who turned out had a wonderful time. There was plenty of food and we were able to help Pat WA6MHZ break in his new barbecue.

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## Noteworthy Items

The Homebrew Contest is coming up. Share your project with us, the contest will be during our November meeting. Anything you build is welcome.

Officer and board elections are just around the Corner, Nominations are current open for officers, and board members. ***At this time we do have two board positions open, join the board and help set the direction for our club in the coming years.*** Elections will be held at our December meeting.

We are also currently discussing replacement of our field day yagi antennas. The antennas we have been using are getting a bit old and tired. This year would be a good time to replace them.

Last but not least if you have any content you wish to see published in Counterpoise please send it to

[counterpoise@wa6bgs.us](mailto:counterpoise@wa6bgs.us)

## Next Month's Meeting

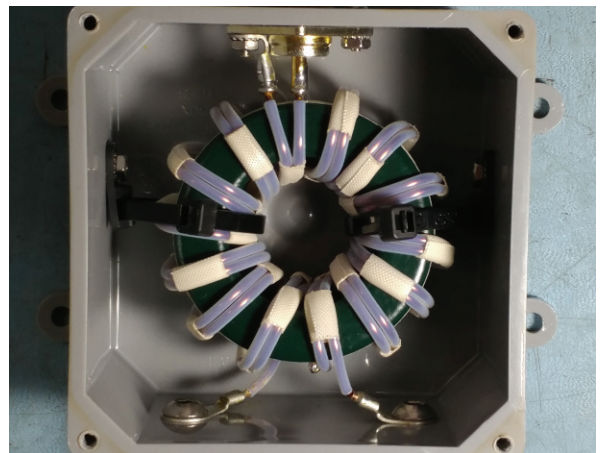
### About Baluns

Learn about baluns

Which one to use

And

Why





**San Diego Hamfest 2017**

**DATE: October 7, 2017**

- All Local Ham Clubs Welcome
- Button Hole "QSO's" with other Hams
- Visit Ham Club Booths
- ARRL Forum
- Ham Radio Vendors
- Door Prizes
- VE Testing
- T-Hunt
- Speakers
- "FREE" Antenna Friendly Parking

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**Time of the Event: 7 AM-3 PM**  
**"Old Radio Trade Show" Starts at 6 AM**

Old Radio Trade Show in parking lot!  
Set-up a table and sell your unwanted Old Radio Gear  
ONLY \$5.00 a space!

Hamfest Cost: \$5.00  
Trading Post: "Consignment Booth"

**Location**  
Lakeside Rodeo Grounds  
12584 Maplevue St., Lakeside CA

*You are cordially invited to attend the  
3rd Annual San Diego Hamfest 2017.  
We plan on starting out the day with an  
Old Radio Trade Show, Vendors,  
Speaker Forums, and VE Testing.  
So come on out and let's Ham it Up!*

For the most up to date information  
Please visit: [WWW.SDhamfest.org](http://WWW.SDhamfest.org)

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## Membership Badges & Pins

All members of the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon who might wish to obtain a membership badge can contact Dell Awards and place an order with them. They are our current preferred source for these badges, and have our logo and design on file and ready to create a custom badge for members. Current price is \$7.50 per badge and they have indicated that there is normally a 3 business day turnaround time. These are quality badges made by a long established company, so place yours on order soon. They can be reached at the below address and phone number, and be sure to mention you saw this blurb in the Counterpoise newsletter too.

**Dell Awards**  
**7949 Broadway**  
**Lemon Grove, CA 91945**  
**(619) 469-2100**

**Hours: Mon-Fri 9:30am-5:30pm**  
**Sat 10am-1pm**  
**Sun - Closed**

## Swap Meet Listings

The Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon has a Swap Meet listing page on our website and here in Counterpoise, Have something you want to buy, sell, or trade list it with us. See <http://wa6bgs.us/swapmeetlegal.html> for more listings and posting guidelines. This is a free service to our members.

## Club Shirts & Jackets

We have green, pocketed 2013 Field Day club shirts available in sizes S (2), M (1), and L (8) for \$10 each. Our standard Club Shirts have no pocket and are in sizes M (10), L (4), 2XL (7), 3XL (4), 4XL (5) for \$10 each. Sizes are limited to stock on hand.

Lined Windbreaker Jackets are also available in sizes L (1) and XL (7) for \$24 each. These have side pockets with snap closure.

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## Club Pins Now Available:

They have arrived! A limited number of club pins are now here and can be obtained from our Treasurer at most club functions. These are 1" diameter pins with a rubber clutch pin on rear. You can now show the world your support of the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon, and for the small cost of \$3.00 each too. Get them while they are available.







The **AMATEUR RADIO CLUB OF EL CAJON**<sup>Inc.</sup>  
**WA6BGS**

Post Office Box Fifty, El Cajon California 92022

Founded 1960 ~ Incorporated 1976

Please fill out this form and then see options at bottom for submitting to the club

Date of application: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

Amount Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Cash    Check    Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Type:    Individual (\$20/year)    Family\* (\$35/year)

Membership Status:    New    Renewal    Returning Member

Call Sign    First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

If a previous member, what was your WAMO number?

ARRL Member:    Yes    No

License Class:    Technician    General    Extra    Other

Email Address (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Use another sheet of paper to add Family members and please include the following information:*

First Name, Last Name, Call Sign (if any), License Class, Wamo Number (if any), & Email Address.

**Submitting this form:**

To submit this form, you can mail it to:

**Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon  
P.O. Box 50  
El Cajon, CA 92022**

-OR-

Bring it to the next club meeting on the second Thursday of each month. You can find the date and location by getting online at [www.wa6bgs.us](http://www.wa6bgs.us) which is the club website. Check it out for the most current information regarding the club.

**Cash Payments - Get a receipt from the Club Treasurer. Please make all checks payable to AMATEUR RADIO CLUB of EL CAJON, Incorporated. Receipts for payments by check will be sent by email or regular mail by the Club Treasurer.**

**Members with an FCC Call Sign are full members with voting privileges. Members without an FCC Call Sign are Associate members without voting privileges.**

**YOUR DUES ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE: Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon, Inc. Is a 501 C 7 Corporation. Donations are NOT tax deductible.**

**Email address and phone number are to allow club officers to contact members regarding club business and information of interest.**